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**DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT:** According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 5/August, through Sunday, 12/August there were 228 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3C, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A4, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D6, DL, DU, E4, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J3, J6, J8, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JX, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH4, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OJ0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PY0T, PZ, R1FJ, S2, S5, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T30, T32, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TI9, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2E, VP2V, VP5, VP6, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XW, XX9, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZK1/s, ZK2, ZL, ZP, ZS

\* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL). OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin (due to its size) with a complete breakdown and "DXCC/Entities Chart of Activity".

**3V8, TUNISIA.** Tony, IK8VRH, will be active from **August 15-30th**, from the Scout Club Station in **Monastir** using the callsign **3V8SQ**. QSL via IK8VRH: Antonio Bosse, POB 173, 80016 Marano NA, Italy.

**5R, MADAGASCAR (IOTA activity).** Phil, G3SWH, will be active from **Île Ste Marie (IOTA AF-090)** from **September 14-20th** and has been issued the callsign **5R8HA**. This will be a CW only, holiday type operation on all bands 40-10 meters using his IC-706 and wire antennas. QSL via his CBA or via the bureau.

**9N, NEPAL.** Yuu, JA3IG, (member of the A52A operations) is going to Nepal for vacation in September. Look for Yuu to operate 20m and 15m SSB/CW from **September 7-9th**, as **9N7IG**. QSL via homecall.

**A2, BOTSWANA.** Harry, W6DXO, will be active from 2 Safari camps in Botswana from **September 19-29th**. He has been assigned the callsign **A25/KG6GPA**. His operating conditions mandate battery powered QRP Ops. His equipment will consist of a Yaesu FT 817, multiple hi-capacity gel cells and a portable 20M dipole. Operations will be concentrated on 20 meters SSB. QRP stations are encouraged to listen for A25/KG6GPA as an effort will be made to work as many other QRP stations as possible. QSL direct only to: W6DXO.

**A5, BHUTAN (Also AP, Pakistan).** Robert, S53R, will be going back to AP on the 16th of August and proceed quickly to A5. He will stay at ham center, and time permitting (this is official/work trip), operate as **A52RK** or **A52KR**. This should happen just after **August 20th for about 7 days**, and then he goes back to AP. Activity will mostly be on CW. QSLs via S53R.

**C6, BAHAMAS (IOTA activity).** Al, K3TKJ, plans to operate from **Andros Island (NA-001) August 13th through September 27th**. He has requested the callsign **C6TKJ**. There was no mention of bands and modes of activity.

**C9, MOZAMBIQUE (IOTA activity).** Fredy, DE0MST, reports that Reinhard (Rei), DL6DQW, will be active as **C91RF/7** (call not 100% sure), **September 19-23rd**, from **Quirimba island (AF-061)**. His equipment will be an IC706 and a quad antenna. Activity will be on CW and SSB. QSL to DL6DQW via DARC bureau.

**DXCC NEWS.** Bill Moore, NC1L, DXCC Manager, reminds everyone, "Once again, the cutoff to be shown in the **2001 yearbook** is rapidly approaching. In order to be shown you must have a submission in between October 1, 2000 and September 30, 2001. If you have not submitted and you are not current on the DXCC Honor Roll, you will need to make a submission on or by September 30, 2001. Note, the submission must be in our hands by this date, not postmarked. In 2001, September 30 is a Sunday, so applications received in October 1, only, can be credited for September 30. In order to receive the free copy you must: 1) Be an ARRL member. 2) Be current on the DXCC Honor Roll (325 current entities) or, if not on the Honor Roll you must submit an application by September 30, 2001. The yearbook will be out in the spring of 2002. If you do not qualify for the free copy, it can be purchased for 5 USD each. Previous editions are available starting from 1993 for 5 USD each (includes shipping)."

**FO0, AUSTRAL ISLANDS.** Dave, AH6HY, will be going to **Rurutu Island** from **September 9-14th**. He will be active from the Rurutu Village Hotel using the callsign **FO0FLA**. He will concentrate on 15/20 meters SSB. QSL via his home callsign AH6HY.

**HS, THAILAND.** Charly, K4VUD, tells OPDX that he will be "on the air one last time from HS for this trip" as **HS0ZCW**. He states, "Please look for me after Bangkok sunset. Note, I have had very good propagation to the West coast late in Calif. time morning, so please keep listening. I will try General freqs this time. Date is **August 13th**, Thailand time. Tnx for all the contacts and the 'stand by-s' when requested!!!!" ..... CU from K4VUD by Aug. 18th (taking the long way home).

**HS, THAILAND.** RAST HQ station **HS0AC** will be active in the **WAE DX CW Contest**. It

will be operated by Champ, E21EIC, as a Single Op/All Band entry. Look for him between 3524-3526 kHz around 1930-2330z. QSL via G3NOM: Ray Gerrard, P.O.BOX 1300, Nana, Bangkok 10112, THAILAND. Also, look for Yong, **HS4BPQ**, to be active in the **WAE DX CW Contest**. QSL via E21EIC.

**HS, THAILAND.** A member of the Florida West Coast DX Ring, Bruce, AA4XR, will be on the air again as **HS0ZCY**, from **August 14 through September 6th**, Activity will be mostly on 20-15-10 meters with some 40 meters, 99% CW of the time and perhaps a little SSB. QSL via WB4FNH.

## **IOTA NEWS.....**

- **AN-016.** Mark, VK4KMT, is active in his free time as **VK0KMT** from the **Australian Antarctic Base Davis**. He is usually active between 0400-1000z, and often can be found on 14180 and 18120 kHz. QSL to home callsign.
- **AS-NEW.** Alan, BA1DU, BI4F team leader, reports that the BI4F team has decided to **postpone** the IOTA DXpedition at **Furong Island** (Shandong Province Northwest Group) until earlier **September**; the exact activity date will be announced later.
- **AS-131.** A group of hams from the Guangdong Province will do a short IOTA operation on **Do-Ao Island** as **BI7D**. Expect them to be on the air from 0700z **August 17th** through 0200z **August 19th**. They will have 3 HF stations and 1 VHF/UHF station. Activity will be on 80 meters through 70cm on the normal IOTA frequency, CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31/SATELLITE. QSL via BD7NI: P.O.Box 306, Guangzhou, 510030, P.R.CHINA.
- **EU-016.** Chris, 9A5K, will be active for the next two weeks (minimum 10 days, starting **August 12th through August 22nd or 26th**) from the **Island of Brac**, Croatian Islands (IOCA) reference number CI-010. Also, there will be activity possibly from the **Island of Solta** (CI-126). Activity will be mainly on 40 and 20 meters, but also on 30,17,15,12,10 and 6 meters. Equipment is TS690S (100 w) + verticals. Callsigns to be used are **9A5K/p** and **9A/K5CRO**. QSL card is OK via bureau or direct to Chris's address listed on: <http://www.qrz.com>
- **EU-016.** Frano (9A5V/p), Matko (9A3VM/p), Fredi (9A5KV/p) and Zoran (9A4NC/p) will activate two islands in the **EU-016** group next weekend with lighthouses on them:
  1. Island of **Grebeni** (CI-173, WLH-0483) on **August 18th**.
  2. Island of **Daksa** (CI-165, WLH-0111) on **August 19th**.Activity will start on 14260 kHz at 0800z, and for local QSOs on 7060 kHz at 1400z.
- **EU-048.** Didier, F5BJW, will be active **September 15-24th** from **Groix Island** (French Brittany - DIFM AT012) as **TM2A**. Activity will be on the IOTA frequencies on 80-10 meters, mainly SSB. QSL via Didier F5BJW.
- **EU-125.** The Belgian Team of Kurt/ON4CJV, Eddy/ON4AFU, Steven/ON4CLC, and Yves/ON1DHJ, will be active from **Romo Island** now **through August 18th**. The operation will be on all HF bands, WARC bands and 6 meters on CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. The callsign used will be **OZ/OR0MO** (a special one). QSL via ON4AFU (bureau) or direct via ON4AFU: PO Box 41, 9400 Ninove, Belgium.
- **EU-153.** Two operators will be active as **RA1OZ/P** and **UE4NMM/1** from **August 21-26th**, from **Kii island**. Activity will be on the IOTA frequencies on all modes (incl. digital) and all bands. QSL via their home calls.
- **NA-136.** Skip/N1IBM, Bob/N2OO and Beth/KF2BQ will be operating from **Sheffield**

**Island** (USI CT008S, ARLHS Lighthouse USA-753), Connecticut, on **August 25-26th**, as **N1IBM/p**, between 1500-2100z each day (later if able). Suggested frequencies: SSB - 7165, 14265 and 21265 kHz; CW - 7030, 14030 and 21030 kHz. QSL via N1IBM: Skip Maze, 847 Dolan Street, Lanoka Harbor, NJ 08734 USA. Direct or via the bureau is OK.

**KH2, GUAM.** Warren, WB6TMY, announced that he will be active has **WB6TMY/KH2** now **through August 18th**. He states that he will try to hang out at 14033 KHz and would be happy to have a QSO with anyone who might want to talk.

**KH3, JOHNSTON ISLAND.** Dan, KH6UW, will lead a group of four operators including Mike/AL7KC, Bill/W7TSQ and Tom/K7ZZ on a trip to here from **September 11-18th**. The group will be active on 160-6 meters including the WARC bands using CW and SSB, using the callsign **K3J**. Two 24-hour stations will be used with a third activated as needed. European contacts will be emphasized when band openings permit. QSL via AH6HN.

**KL6, ALASKA (IOTA activity).** Bruce, KD6WW, will be active from **Popof Island (NA-087)** as **KL6/KD6WW** from **August 18-20th**. Bands and modes of activity were not mentioned. However, Bruce states that you may QSL direct, via the bureau or request a bureau card via E-mail at: [kd6ww@inreach.com](mailto:kd6ww@inreach.com) If you request a bureau card via E-mail, Bruce requests to "please do not send him a card."

#### **LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY..... (2001 ILLW next weekend!)**

- Look for Esmond, **8R1AK**, to be active during the International Lighthouse Weekend on **August 18-19th** from the **Georgetown Lighthouse** in **Guyana** (to be assigned GUY-001). QSL via CBA.
- Look for DA0BHV to be activated during the International lighthouse and Lightship Weekend from the **August 17-19th**. Operators will be Katrin/DL1AXL, Dominik/DL5EBE, Frank/DL7UFP, Torsten/DL7UTM, Fritz/ DL7VRO and Gerda/DL7VYL. They will also be active as **DA0BHV/LS** from the old lightship "**ELBE 3**" and as **DA0BHV/LGT** from the "**Bremerhaven Upper Light**" lighthouse. QSL via DL5EBE.
- Following their successful operation last year, a group from the Wicklow Wireless Society will again activate the Lighthouse at the **Old Head of Kinsale** during the International Lighthouse Weekend **August 18-19th**. The Lighthouse reference number is IRE 055 and membership No. is 013. No callsign was mentioned. QSL direct or via the bureau to EI9HQ.
- The Western New York DX Association will once again activate **K2L** from the **Buffalo, New York** harbor lighthouse during the International Lighthouse Weekend on **August 18-19th**. The lighthouse is located at the U.S. Coast Guard Station. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW and SSB with 2 stations using KW power to assorted antennas. This is the third year of this group's activity. A photo QSL is available for SASE or SAE+IRC via WB2YQH: Bob Nadolny, P.O. Box 73, Spring Brook, NY 14140. Each year's QSL is unique.
- The Greater Norwalk Amateur Radio Club (N1EV) will sponsor a DXpedition to **Sheffield Island Lighthouse** on **September 29-30th**, with operations beginning at 1300z Saturday and ending 2000z Sunday. Sheffield Island is IOTA **NA-136**, USI CT-008s and ARLHS USA-753. Operations will be on 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 meters with SSB, CW, RTTY, and PSK31. Specific modes and frequencies will be posted via packet DX cluster. A QSL

card featuring Sheffield Lighthouse will be available. Please send a SASE (US) or IRC/greenstamp and envelope (DX). Please no foreign currency. QSL to: GNARC CONTEST CLUB, N1EV [Club], 324 MAIN AVE BOX 115, NORWALK, CT 06851. For further info, please check the web site: <http://www.gnarc.org>

- Look for **SN2KM** to operate from the **Krynica Morska Lighthouse** (there was no reference number provided) during **August 17-19th**. QSL via SP2BIK.
- The team consisting of RU0LM/Lex, RW0LL/Oleg and UA0MF/Mike will be active from the Island of **Skryplyov (AS-066)** from the **Skryplyov Lighthouse** (LH-1309) using the callsign **UE0LLH**. They plan to be on the air from **August 17th for three days** with a FT-900, dipoles and GPs. QSL direct to UA0MF: Mike Filippov, P.O.Box 20, Vladivostok, 690021, Russia. (No IRCs please! They are hard to change to stamps for postage return in Russia. USD is preferable)
- An operation from **Galinhos Lighthouse** is planned from **now through August 19th**. Look for Ed, PS7ZZ, to be active as **ZX7ZZ** on all bands using SSB, RTTY, PSK and CW. QSL via PS7ZZ.

**NEW CONTEST FOR 2002.** Raul, LU6EF, GACW Coordinator, informs OPDX that the first "GACW CW DX Contest" will take place next year, **2002**, together with the commemoration of the **GACW's 25th anniversary**. The rules can be found on the Web site: <http://www.geocities.com/gacwar/>

#### **QSL INFO AND NEWS.....**

- Steve, N3SL, reports that the **3B6RF** QSL cards have arrived on August 7th, and they should be all out in the mail as of Saturday, August 11th.
- Dave, G3NKC, has just returned from a 2 week vacation in 5B4 (Cyprus). He took no equipment, not expecting to be active, but in the eventuality, made 500 QSOs from the QTH of his good friend, **5B4AGC**. Bureau QSLs are fine for the needy; if you really need one direct, please only use the address below which should be good in all 2001 callbooks: Dave Sharred, Chestnut House, 510 Crewe Rd, Wistaston, Crewe. CW2 6PS, U.K.
- Activity in the 2001 IOTA Contest by **9A9R/P** from the Island of KRK (EU-136) should be QSLed via DJ2MX ONLY for these contest dates.
- Vlatko, **9A9R**, reports that all QSL cards received directly to 9A9R have already been confirmed and mailed.
- Robert, S53R, informs OPDX that, "Please inform people, that by now all direct requests for **AP2ARS**, **EY8/S53R** (Feb/March 2000) and **UK8AXA** (March 2000) have been answered, causing logistical nightmare at the local post office, hi! Have spent my holidays in Corsica, working on the pile of envelopes and no radio this year. Please note that for most SSB contacts, QSL goes via ON5NT, since operator was ON6TT and all CW and some SSB via S53R. Please listen for operator's instructions regarding QSL route."
- Here is the QSL information for **K3L**, The AM Expedition to **Thomas Point Shoal Lighthouse** activated for National Lighthouse Weekend, **August 2-5th, 2001**. Please send an E-mail inquiry requesting QSL information to: [K3L@amfone.net](mailto:K3L@amfone.net) More details and photos on this first-ever activation of #845, TPL, Chesapeake Bay, Maryland are available at the website: <http://www.amfone.net/K3L/>
- (UPDATE) Ron, AC7DX, who announced last week that he would be the QSL Manager



again for Gaby, XE2Z, for the following stations **XE2Z**, **XE2GV**, **6D0Z** and **6D8Z**, has now added **XE2XA**, **XE0DX**, **6G0V** and **6D2X** to the list.

- Walt, G3NYY, reports that the **D68C** QSL cards are starting to come out from manager G3SWH. It's a magnificent 4-page, full color card. You can see a picture of one at: <http://www.qsl.net/k4hb/d68c.jpg>
- On-line logs are available for the following callsigns: **CF3RJ** (QSL via VA3RJ), **VA3RJ**, **VE3JDR**, **VX3RJ** (QSL via VA3RJ), **XL3RJ** (QSL via VA3RJ), and **XM3JDR** (QSL via VE3JDR). There is also an E-mail bureau QSL request link on the same page for those who wish one of cards via the bureau. Check the Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/search.html>
- Laurent, F8BBL, reports that he answered all **SV9/F8BBL** QSLs received by direct, and he will also answer 100% all those received by the bureau.
- Joe, W3HNC, reports that he now has all the logs for 1994 and 1997 operations for anyone needing a **TI9CF** QSL card from Cocos Island.

**SPECIAL EVENT STATION.** Look for special event station with the callsign **EO10J** to be active from **August 20-28th** to celebrate **10 years of independence for the Ukraine**. QSL via KG6AR, "DIRECT TO CALL BOOK ADDRESS PLEASE".

**SPECIAL EVENT STATION.** Look for **VI30RC** to be active **now through August 31st** to celebrate the **30 years of the Redcliffe and Districts Radio Club** and the opening of the Club's new clubhouse. QSL via VK4RC.

**T30, WESTERN KIRIBATI.** A long press release was sent out by Pete, KZ1Z, about an operation to **Butaritari Island** by Eric, N1JSY. OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive the complete press release as an additional bulletin. Excerpts from the release state that Eric works for the Peace Corp and will be active as **T30ES** during non-work hours. His activity will begin very soon (possibly this week). However, Eric is kept busy during the day with a variety of local projects, developing the country's infrastructure and providing assistance to the people in a number of areas, such as rain water collection, women's medical issues and being an advisor to the school's gardening club. Thanks to the help of the Candlewood Amateur Radio Association (CARA) in Connecticut, Eric will use a TS-430 and two G5RV antennas, positioned separately, on 80-10 meters, with a maximum of 100 watts. He will operate a few hours a day due to limited power resources. Power is limited, with the primary source being solar collectors. Eric has a car battery in his hut that he can charge during the day. Being new to HF and DXing, CARA members will help by providing Net Control assistance in the beginning and act as a QSL manager for this operation. QSL to W1QI: C.A.R.A., Post Office Box 3441, Danbury, CT 06813 U.S.A. Please check the following Web page for operation information and the latest updates: <http://people.mags.net/boem/kiribati1.htm>

**TI, COSTA RICA.** Bill, AK0A, will be operating from the QTH of Henry, TI2HMG, from **September 25th through October 9th**. Activity will be on all bands on the modes RTTY, PSK, MFSK, CW and SSB in that order. His operations included an entry in the **CQWWRTTY Contest** and the **TARA PSK Rumble**. QSL via his home callsign with a SASE for USA or/and DX via the W0 Bureau. His callsign will most likely be **TI2/AK0A**. He will try for special contest callsign.

**UA9, ASIATIC RUSSIA.** Oleg, UA9ZZ, is expected to sign as **UA9ZZ/p** from the high-mountainous plateau, also known as the "**Zone of Silence**", now **through August 17th**.

Activity will be on 20, 17, 15 and 10 meters using CW and SSB. QSL to home callsign.

**V6, MICRONESIA.** Katsu, JH8BKL (**V63KA**) and his XYL Michiko, JF8IYR (**V63MC**) and Susumu, JH8MYB (**V63YB**) are going to **Pohnpei Island (OC-010)**. They will arrive on **August 31st** and depart on **September 6th**. They will be operating on all bands from 80-6 meters, SSB, CW and 10m FM. They expect V63KA to participate in the **All Asian Phone Contest**. QSL V63KA and V63MC via JH8BKL Katsuhide Kawase, 284-30 Kawaguchikisen, Teshio, 098-3312, Japan. QSL V63YB via JH8MYB: Susumu Harada, 3-8 Taga, Mikasa, 068-2152 JAPAN.

**V6, MICRONESIA.** Sho/JA7HMZ and Hisa/7L4IOU are going to **Pohnpei Island (OC-010)** for Digital mode DXpedition from **September 28th through October 4th**. They will activate the mode: RTTY, SSTV and PSK31. Their callsign will be **V63DX** (Sho) and **V63XC** (Hisa). QSL via their home callsign:

- JA7HMZ - Shoji Igawa, 17 Shirogane, Yokobori, Ogachi, 019-0204 JAPAN
- 7L4IOU - Hisami Dejima, 2-11-13 Minamikojiwa, Tokyo, 133-0056 JAPAN

They will participate in the **CQWW RTTY CONTEST** as **V63XA** and this QSL is via JA7AO: Tokuro Matsumoto, 3-62 Okachimachi, Yuzawa, 012-0856 JAPAN.

**V7, MARSHALL ISLAND.** Jeff, KA1GJ, has informed OPDX that he will be on **Kwajalein Island**, RMI (V73) for a three year assignment. He will be active as **V73GJ** very soon. QSL direct via PO Box 1050, APO AP 96555.

**XP, GREENLAND.** The callsign **XP1AB** will once again be heard. XP1AB will be used from Sondrestrom on the west coast of Greenland during the **CQWW SSB Contest** on **October 27-28th**. XP1AB was last used in the 1960's and it will now be possible to work this special callsign again. **Sondrestrom** is in CQ zone 40, ITU Zone 5 and IOTA reference **NA-018**. A large group of OZ hams expect to arrive on **October 24th**. They will use the first days to put all the equipment together. If we have the time they will work on all HF bands and 6 meters with their own calls/OX. They may be active on CW before and/or after the contest. They expect to leave on **October 31st**. QSL Manager is OZ1ACB, and QSL is only possible direct to OZ1ACB. You can find many details/updates regarding the DXpedition on their Web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/xp1ab/>

**ZX, BRAZIL (Special Activity).** Look for **ZX3B**, a special callsign that belongs to the Brazilian Army in order to celebrate the **independence birthday of this country**. This operation will take place from **now through September 9th**. Activity is planned to be on all HF bands (including the WARC bands) and on the major modes as well (SSB and CW). The operators will consist of PY3YY (Sgt. Andy), PY3KK (Lt.Ten. Koetz), PY3FOX (Sold. Xris), PY3KN (Sold. Nae), PY3BM (Sgt. Peter), PY3CTA (Col. Gurgel) and PY3DX (Lt.Ten. Toledo). This callsign is already placed on QRZ.com and also at BUCK.com with info concerning the operation itself and the QSL address. Also, you can find more info on this operation on: <http://www.qsl.net/zx3b/>

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